

## Senate Resolution 1294

By: Senators Thomas of the 54th and Mullis of the 53rd

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 3, 2008, as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, April 3, 2008, is recognized as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day; and
- 3 WHEREAS, an estimated 10 million people in the United States, 3 to 6 percent of the  
4 population of our country, and millions more world-wide have been diagnosed with  
5 fibromyalgia, a disease for which there is no known cause or cure; and
- 6 WHEREAS, fibromyalgia is a chronic illness which causes fatigue and debilitating pain in  
7 women, men, and children of all ages and races; and
- 8 WHEREAS, it often takes an average of five years to receive a diagnosis of fibromyalgia,  
9 and medical professionals frequently are inadequately educated on its diagnosis and  
10 treatment; and
- 11 WHEREAS, we join with the National Fibromyalgia Association and other fibromyalgia  
12 support organizations in promoting awareness and encouraging improved education,  
13 diagnosis, research, and treatment.
- 14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that April 3, 2008, is  
15 recognized as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day.